

**FISCAL NOTE**  
**SB 991 - HB 982**

February 26, 2001

**SUMMARY OF BILL:**

- Provides that the Department of Transportation shall undertake the design and construction of highway projects to minimize the destruction or alteration of *historic rock or stonewall fences*.
- Provides that when historic rock wall fence relocations or removals are necessitated by construction of a state highway system, extensions thereof, or improvements thereto are a public governmental function, such relocations shall be made at state expense.
- Specifies that provisions of the bill in no way prevent or obstruct a property owner from relocating or removing such fence on an individual's private property.

**ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**Increase State Expenditures - Less Than \$100,000/Highway Fund**

Estimate assumes:

- The increase in state expenditures to relocate the wall would be determined by the size of the wall and the distance to be moved.
- The number of such walls to be moved by the department would be few.
- Any costs incurred to move such walls would be paid from the Highway Fund.

*For information purposes the cost to move a stone wall 10 feet in length and 4 feet in height and restore the wall using the existing material is estimated to be approximately \$1,000.*

**CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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